

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

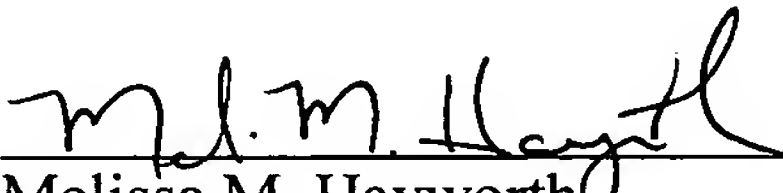
The specification has been amended to provide section headings, to insert a brief description of the drawings, and correct minor typographical errors in the specification.

Claims 1 – 24 are pending with claim 1 being independent. Claims 1 – 24 have been amended formally in order to better conform the claim language to U.S. practice.

Favorable consideration is respectfully solicited. In the event that there are any questions relating to this application, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,
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